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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 7, 2008, please amend the application as follows:

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Summary of USPTO Fees begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments/Conclusion begin on page 7 of this paper.

STATUS

The above-captioned patent application is pending. Claims 1-19 are pending in the application.

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SUMMARY OF USPTO FEES ENCLOSED HEREWITH

1. Extension of Time

A separate petition for an extension of time of one (1) month up to and including June 7, 2008, to respond to the outstanding Office Action, along with authorization to charge the appropriate fee for a large entity of \$120, is enclosed herewith.

It is believed this fee is correct; however, the Commissioner for Patents is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1429.

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